

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Nome****Project Title:****Project Type:** Maintenance and Repairs

Nome - Remodel Recreation Center for Emergency Shelter Services

State Funding Requested: \$500,000**House District: 39 / T**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

The City of Nome desires to renovate their 30 year old multi-purpose recreational center. This phase of the project will remodel the bowling alley into a multi-purpose use space with additional storage and an improved emergency evacuation shelter.

Funding Plan:**Total Cost of Project: \$2,800,000**

	<u>Funding Secured</u>		<u>Other Pending Requests</u>		<u>Anticipated Future Need</u>	
	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>
State Funds	\$1,500,000	2008				
Rasmuson Foundation					\$300,000	2010
Total	\$1,500,000				\$300,000	

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

The Nome Recreational Center (NRC) plays a vital role within the community. Most importantly the NRC is the community's emergency evacuation shelter. The facility has been used to house evacuees during fall storms and is also the alternative Regional Hospital. In addition to serving as the crown jewel of Nome's indoor recreational offerings, the NRC plays host to a wide variety of regional sporting competitions, conferences, civic events and banquets/potlucks.

Phase one of the renovation includes roof replacement and updating the fire sprinkler system. The second phase for which the funding is being requested will include the remodel of an old six-lane bowling alley. The proposed renovation would involve removing the antiquated lanes, pin setters, approach areas and counter tops. With the entire bowling infrastructure removed, a proposed conference room will be installed to accommodate all of the NRC's fitness programs, community events and storage needs. The remaining space will be used primarily for storage of blankets, cots, MRE's (meals ready to eat) and water for the emergency use.

The City of Nome desires to meet the needs of an emergency shelter and offer as many community activities as possible to encourage healthy living and public safety alternatives. Given our isolated arctic climate, the NRC allows the City of Nome to offer residents a positive, healthy environment that promotes positive physical recreation and social interaction that is extremely rare in rural Alaska.

The City of Nome requests funding from the State of Alaska in the amount of \$1.3 Million to be provided to complete

Total Project Snapshot Report

FY 2011 Capital Budget

TPS Report 52466v1

Recreation Center renovations to accommodate emergency shelter and community health needs.

Project Timeline:

FY

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

City of Nome

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

Name: Mayor Denise Michels/City Manager Josie Bahnke

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Nome, AK 99762

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No



CITY OF NOME

Celebrating 100 Years of Gold Rush History

Incorporated April 9, 1901

February 1, 2010

The Honorable Sean Pamell, Governor
The Honorable Gary Stevens, Senate President
The Honorable Mike Chenault, Speaker of the House

Subject: 2010 State Legislative Priorities for the City of Nome, Alaska

Dear Fellow Alaskans:

The City of Nome is pleased to provide you with its 2010 State Legislative Priorities. The Nome Common Council conducted meetings with Citizens, Boards and Commissions and adopted resolutions endorsing the capital projects and position statements for inclusion in this session's Legislative Priorities package.

We find ourselves with the strong will to continue investing in our community. Nome desires to improve our economic base and to pursue and develop long-range projects that will provide stable employment for our Citizens. Nome's aggressive approach to move forward is evidenced by seeking projects that will improve the quality of life for the citizens of Nome, our welcomed visitors and for the surrounding villages, who view Nome as the center for many of their needs.

We work closely with our local partners to diversify and strengthen our economy. We do seek State assistance to help us meet the demands and needs of our citizens.

We seek the State of Alaska's assistance and support for Capital Projects and Legislative Positions contained within this document. The City has prioritized the following capital projects for consideration:

1. The Richard Foster Building to Contain the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum, Original Records of the Cape Nome Recording District and Nome's Historical Archives; and
2. Water and Sewer Infrastructure Improvements

The City has identified other issues of importance to the community meriting state consideration:

- A. Nome City Community Infrastructure;
- B. Nome School Capital Improvements;
- C. NJUS Power Generation Issues;

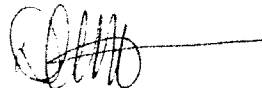
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- D. Alaska Army National Guard Readiness Center;
- E. Alaska State Office Building;
- F. Pioneer/Veterans Home in Northwest Alaska;
- G. Norton Sound Health Corporation Detoxification Center;
- H. State Fiscal Issues;
 - 1. Support for the Municipal Revenue Sharing Program;
 - 2. Support to Expand PCE Program;
 - 3. Support of Transportation Infrastructure Funding;
 - 4. Support of the Development of the State of Alaska's Renewable Energy Sources;
 - 5. Support of Arctic Marine Shipping Assessment 2009 Report Recommendations

We will actively promote State assistance for these items through our lobbyist, Ms. Wendy Chamberlain. She will be able to assist you on these projects and can describe our need and interest for the projects included within the Legislative Priorities. The City's staff and I are available and eager to provide additional information to you and your staff. If I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 443-6610 or Ms. Josie Bahnke, City Manager at 443-6600.

We thank you for your continuous support and consideration of our 2010 Legislative Priorities.

Sincerely,
CITY OF NOME, ALASKA



DENISE MICHELS
MAYOR



Presented by:
Mayor
Action Taken:
Yes 6 No 0
Abstain

CITY OF NOME, ALASKA

RESOLUTION NO. R-10-01-04

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING PROJECTS AND POSITION STATEMENTS FOR THE CITY OF NOME 2010 STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

WHEREAS, a public hearing and joint work session of the Nome City Council, Nome Joint Utility Board, Nome School District Board, Nome Planning Commission, and Nome Port Commission was held in Nome, Alaska on Monday, January 11, 2010; and,

WHEREAS, it is with unanimity that the following prioritized projects are considered worthy of advocacy to State of Alaska legislative and administrative leaders:

Priority #1- Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum Construction;

Priority #2 - Water and Sewer Infrastructure Improvements; and,

WHEREAS, it is with unanimity the following Community Infrastructure items are considered worthy of advocacy to State of Alaska legislative and administrative leaders:

Nome City Community Infrastructure:

- Covered Multi-Use Recreational Structure
- Remodel Recreation Center for Emergency Shelter Services
- Port/Causeway Expansion
- Extension of Steadman Street to the By-pass Road for Future Community Development
- Construction of Consortium Library with the University of Alaska
- Long Range Community/Infrastructure Development Nome Airport Master Plan
- DOT/PF Northwest Alaska Access Study

Nome School Capital Improvements:

- Nome Elementary School Hot Water Boiler System Replacement
- Nome Elementary School Gym Floor Replacement
- Direct Digital Controls
- Lighting Upgrade

NJUS Power Generation Issues:

- Develop Alternative Energy Production Sources, including Geo-Thermal and Energy Storage Technology
- Protection/Relocation of Electrical Distribution Facilities in Flood Prone Areas
- Expand Eligibility and Maximum Loan Limits for Participation in State Revolving Bulk Fuel Loan Fund;

WHEREAS, it is with unanimity that the following legislative position statements are supported by the City of Nome and considered worthy of advocacy to State legislative and administrative leaders:

Alaska Army National Guard Readiness Center;

State Office Building;

Pioneer/Veterans Home in Northwest Alaska; and,

Detoxification Center

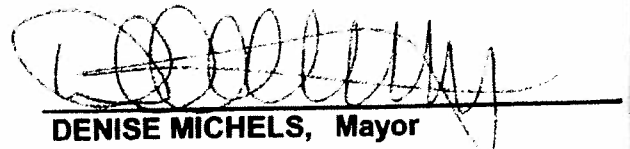
WHEREAS, it is with unanimity that the following legislative position statements are supported by the City of Nome and considered worthy of advocacy to State of Alaska legislative and administrative leaders:

State Fiscal Issues:


- Support for the Municipal Revenue Sharing Program
- Support to Expand the PCE Program to include Municipal Facilities, Schools, Health Facilities and Commercial Enterprises not Eligible Under Existing Law
- Support of Transportation Infrastructure Funding to include Rural Alaska
- Support of the Development of the State of Alaska's Renewable Energy Resources and the Continuance and Expansion of Programs that Increase End-Use Conservation and Energy Efficiency
- Support of the Arctic Marine Shipping Assessment 2009 Report Recommendation

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Nome City Council endorses the aforementioned items for inclusion in the City of Nome 2010 State of Alaska Legislative Priorities Package.

APPROVED and **SIGNED** this 11th day of January, 2010.


DENISE MICHELS, Mayor

ATTEST:


SANDY STURGIS-BABCOCK, City Clerk/Treasurer



Remodel Recreation Center for Emergency Shelter Services

A heavily utilized facility, the Nome Recreational Center (NRC) plays a vital role within the community. Most importantly the NRC is the community's emergency evacuation shelter. The facility has been used to house evacuees during fall storms and is also the alternative Hospital. In addition to serving as the crown jewel of Nome's indoor recreational offerings, the NRC plays host to a wide variety of regional sporting competitions, conferences, civic events and banquets/potlucks.

The citizens of Nome desire to make improvements to their existing multi-purpose recreational center by remodeling and improving emergency shelter service by adding a loading dock and other amenities that will enhance the City's ability to host conferences, conventions and community events.



Expanded awareness of physical health and strong partnerships with local agencies and businesses has allowed the NRC to dramatically expand their inventory of cardio and free weight equipment. Heavy traffic and the extra equipment constantly keep the existing weight room filled to capacity.

Despite the cramped conditions, use of the weight room still continues to grow forcing NRC staff to look at alternatives to accommodate heavy traffic volume. The favored scenario calls for the removal and relocation of all the cardio equipment (treadmills, elliptical cross trainers, climbers and bikes) from the weight room to the multi-purpose room. With the cardio machines out of the weight room, there will be more room to spread out the free weights and nautilus equipment. There would also be plenty of room for growth for the cardio equipment users in the multi-purpose room as well.

The proposed plan will provide space for displaced users of the multi-purpose room. Currently the site for all the NRC's regular personal fitness programming, the multi-purpose room experiences a wide range of use from aerobics, yoga, tae kwon do, kickboxing, strength training and Summercise -- Nome's expansive summer youth program.

The remaining space of 1,000 square feet will be primarily for storage of blankets, cots, MRE's (meals ready to eat), and water for the emergency use.

The City of Nome desires to meet the needs of an emergency shelter and offer as many recreational activities as possible to encourage healthy living and lifestyle choices. Given our isolated arctic climate, the Nome Recreation Center allows the City of Nome to offer residents a positive, healthy environment that promotes positive physical recreation and social interaction that is extremely rare in rural Alaska.

The City of Nome requests funding from the State of Alaska in the amount of \$1.3 Million to be provided for the Recreation Center renovations to accommodate emergency shelter and community health needs.